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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/006,785 Confirmation No. : 1320
Applicant : Todd A. Merritt
Filed : November 9, 2001 Attorney Docket No.: 500345.02
Art Unit : 2185 Customer No. : 27,076
Examiner : Denise Tran
Title : OUTPUT BUFFER HAVING INHERENTLY PRECISE DATA MASKING

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Submission previously submitted
 - i. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 29, 2008.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.

- b. ☐ Submission enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

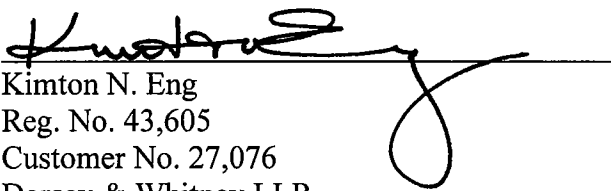
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- ☐ Petition

4. Deposit Account

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fees associated with this Request to Deposit Account No. 50-1266. Applicant does not believe any additional fees are payable at this time, as the initial response to the Final Office Action was filed prior to the 2 month date. Should any further fees be required the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

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